NEWS continued

owner of GBA Music, an excellent recording studio in Las Vegas. Gene was impressed enough with Andrew's music to want to produce a 4 song demo tape, which is close to completion, and will be promoted to record companies with a view to recording an album. We are all excited by this development and ask your prayers for its success. Meanwhile, while you wait for the album, Andrew's cassettes are available as advertised in this Newsletter!!

NATIONAL

CHICAGO: Christian Mendenhall is busy teaching a new cycle of Focus, the ministry's very successful communication workshop. If you are interested in taking part please call Christian at 348-3606, weekdays after 7pm. Christian is also writing a book based on the Focus syllabus, and asks that anyone with testimonies as to how Focus helped you in your personal communication, please contact him with a view to including your experience in his book.

Sue Galick has been very active, both in a class she has been teaching and in the prayer group she holds with a bunch of friends. She relates how one of her students told her how the healing meditation Sue led in the class has changed that student's life. It is wonderful to see so much positivity and initiative emerging from the 'Windy City.'

ATLANTA: Margery Kellar, who leads the Circle of Power prayer group, reports some powerful healing in response to the prayers of the group. Please call 633-4420 for information on the meetings.

NEW YORK: Barbara Blair is planning on visiting a couple of Foundations during the summer, and we look forward to seeing her and her beautiful daughter, Miracle.

INTERNATIONAL

LOME, TOGO: Katakiti Mensah, a member of the Circle of Power, has been interesting his friends in the prayer group with a view to beginning a group in Lome. Togo is the third West African nation to have members, after Ghana and Nigeria, and we look forward eagerly to news of your progress.

HAITI: Rev. Bernadel Dalton, Circle of Power member, who runs an orphanage, writes to thank us for our help at Christmas. He reports that the children had a wonderful time, and that he even had food enough for some of the street children. Please pray for Haiti: it has undergone many coups and upheavals, but recent events are the most promising so far for a government that cares for its people.

Rev. Bernadel Dalton (rear) supervises a bunch of the orphans he cares for as they prepare to tuck into Christmas dinner.

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LETTERS

The staff and children at Holy Family Day Care want to thank you so much for the tricycles your group donated. They are very much appreciated by all. Thanks.

Sylvia Bachiochi
Director

Thank you for your support during the Domestic Violence Awareness Month, and specifically for your assistance with the Desert Women's Day of Unity.

Because of continued community support from people like you, TADC is able to increase public awareness of domestic violence issues and the impact of these issues on our community. Please be assured that this agency continues to be committed to working with victims of domestic violence and supporting their attempts to live a violence-free life.

National Domestic Violence Awareness Month Committee

Lilac asked me, before we go to do our ministry work for the handicapped, to sit down in their new prayer room and said she wanted to pray for me that day. Since then I have felt so much better. My cardiologist told me, after a stress test, he feels I'm doing so much better.

I climb the ladder to peace of mind, and my heart is filled with gratitude. Thank you always.

Alvin the Clown

FEEDBACK

PRAYER FELLOWSHIP

☐ The Circle of Power is an international prayer fellowship, the members of which spend time each day in prayer for the sick and troubled. Every month we send out a letter containing testimonies to the Lord's healing and news of members together with a prayer list. If you would like to add your prayers to those of all members, please check the box and return this section to us.

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☐ I would like you to add me to your mailing list to receive your quarterly Newsletter.

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The following are original compositions channeled by Rev. Andrew Michaels.

☐ THE EVERLASTING CRIME & THE INNOCENT ONES
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☐ SEASONS
☐ TALES OF WONDER

If you have checked any of the boxes above, please PRINT your name and address below, cut out this panel and mail it to: The Foundation Faith of God, P.O. Box 11375, Las Vegas, NV 89111-1375, U.S.A.

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SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP

The Lord's Celebration, our weekly fellowship, 3-4PM. Praise, healing prayers, music, meditation and renewal.

HEALING & COUNSELING

Ministers are available at Faith Center for counseling and healing prayers. Please call **(702) 258-9012** to schedule an appointment.
We also maintain a Healing Prayer Book in which we enter the names of all those requesting prayers. If you wish to have your name entered, or that of a friend or relative, please call with your prayer request.

NEWSBRIEFS

LOCAL

Our special thanks for your prayers in support of our search for a new center. In mid-January the Lord led us to a fine building at 3030 Palomino, near the intersection of Charleston and Campbell. The size was right, and the building in excellent condition, but it needed significant re-modeling. A big thank you to Rev. Steven Hirano, and Brothers Damon Lese and David Maloney, who took time out from their duties at Angel Canyon to build walls, hang doors, and generally complete the major work. It enabled all of us in Las Vegas to continue our full ministry. As we go to press there is still finishing work to be done, and we welcome anyone who would like to volunteer time to help!

Photo: Rev. Matthew Gartenlaub

This is the view you will get as you approach our new center on Palomino.

CLOWN MINISTRY: While Christmas is long gone, and Easter is upon us with its own special activities and toy distribution, we want briefly to mention one incident that occurred after publication of our Winter Newsletter.

Lilac (Rev. Grace Michaels) brought Christmas baskets to Nike House (a group home for teen girls). The girls exclaimed happily over the scented soaps, jewelry, candy canes, art supplies and other goodies. One girl said, "This is better than last year when I didn't get anything." She was not at Nike House then. Another said, "I'm never going to use this soap - I'm just going to keep it like this (in its wrapping) to look at it." A week later the clowns delivered more items and when Lilac drove up some girls were looking out the front window. As Lilac got out of the car she could hear a great noise shaking the doors and windows of Nike House. It turned out the girls were all shouting, "Lilac's here!!!"

At the new Children's Hospital at Humana Sunrise they have added an oncology program. The doctor in charge does some tricks of his own with the children he treats, and always plays the same trick on Daffydil (Rev. Nathania Gartman), who falls for it every time!!! The doctor's prescription for his patients frequently includes the lift that Daffydil and Coconut (Rev. Maria Perchuk) provide on their visits.

Photo: Vic Flores

Daffydil and Tiny Tim (Brother Timothy Feldman) make balloon animals for the kids at the Sign Design party. Sign Design is a group of children and teenagers, some of whom are hearing-impaired, involved in theatre and drama as a way of educating people about the hearing-impaired.

At University Medical Center (UMC), Cookie (Rev. Raphael de Peyer) and Lilac have become fast friends with Kurt, an active 4 year old with a tracheotomy. He has been in the hospital a long time and greets the clowns with bubbly enthusiasm and a demand to strum the guitar! He has an active imagination, and loves to see what new gift is in the toy wagon for him. Cookie and Lilac have also been visiting two boys and their mother who were in a tragic house fire. All suffered severe smoke inhalation, and the older boy, while showing signs of improvement, is still comatose at the time of writing. We ask your special prayers for this family.

Photo: Rev. Matthew Gartenlaub

Cool (Isaac de Peyer) gets that "how did you do that" look from a young lady at UMC as he makes half his thumb disappear. Cookie looks on!

Coconut reports some touching feedback from Cosada Del Mar, a nursing home she visits regularly. When she goes she hands out roses to the patients. One of the staff told Coconut that they hold onto their roses all day long, refusing to let them go!

The young man at Nevada Association for the Handicapped (NAH) described in our last Newsletter as just starting to come out of his shell, continues to improve. Now when Lilac begins to play her guitar he waves his arms in wide sweeps, conducting the start of the music sing-along!

Photo: Donna Eadie/NAH

Lilac introduces an adorable puppy from Best Friends to a client at NAH. It is clearly love at first sight! The puppy was en route to a new home in Las Vegas when he stopped by to do a little ministering of his own.

Welcome to Colleen Murphy (Polka Dot), who has started coming to NAH with us, and brings her musical background to bear in her enthusiastic participation.

Our special thanks to the employees at Westward Ho for a generous donation to help in our Easter toy distribution, to Jay Brewer (owner), Karen Dunbar (manager), and Sherri DeVore (staff) of T-Shirts Ltd. in the Las Vegas airport for the beautiful sweat shirts and T-shirts. Several groups of children and teens have already received their share, including several cottages at Child Haven. The response was unanimous, with the children parading around in their new "threads," and wanting to wear them to bed!!!

Special thanks also to Beverly Thalman of NAH for putting us forward as a NAH nominee for the Golden Rule Award, which is sponsored by J.C. Penney, in cooperation with the United Way, for voluntary service in the community. Beverly called all the other institutions we visit to ask them to also put our name forward. Our deepest appreciation for your caring and enthusiasm, Beverly. With support like that we should win, right!!! We will let you know what happens! We felt you might be interested in some of the statistics that are an essential part of all nominations for this award. We make 450 institutional visits a year, visit 700-800 children per month, handing out over 600 toys. Not bad for a bunch of clowns!!!

PET THERAPY: Rev. Abigail Johns with pet therapists, Teddy, Pippin and Scruffy in tow (maybe that should be the other way around!!!) visited a new nursing home this month, Cheyenne Care Center. They saw many old friends, including Myrtle Sweet, who had transferred there. Myrtle was particularly happy to see her friends. They managed to delay the start of community bingo, as the dogs made new friends. One lady was feeling too down to take part until the dogs went over to see her, whereupon she brightened up greatly and decided to stay.

ANIMAL ACTION: Almost our entire staff went to a recent hearing in the City Council Chambers when it appeared that a proposed new ordinance would permit pound seizure, the barbaric practice of seizing animals from the city pound and selling them for research, vivisection, and, in some cases, human consumption. The meeting was packed and covered extensively on the 11PM TV news. Thank God, however, pound seizure was not an option and only appeared so because of an incorrect presentation of the proposal.

Adoptions of beautiful furry friends from our sanctuary at Angel Canyon, Best Friends Animal Sanctuary, have been slow recently because of our move. However, Rev. Jana de Peyer is looking for homes, and if you can provide a loving home for a friend for life, please call 258-9012.

At Best Friends itself the animal hospital continues towards completion, and we have offered the position of full-time vet to a young, enthusiastic veterinarian, beginning in October.

Best Friends will also be putting out a newsletter (first issue May or June), which will be edited and put together by Rev. Michael Mountain. If you would like to be on the mailing list for this newsletter please write us in Las Vegas and let us know.

Photo: Rev. Matthew Gartenlaub

Rev. Andrew Michaels, surrounded by high tech equipment, lays down a track at GBA Music.

MUSIC MAESTRO! Rev. Andrew Michaels, now on the staff at Angel Canyon, recently met Gene Bernard,